IOWC Newsletter
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"Fun, Food and Friendship around the world!"

Hope to see you at the Luncheon on Wednesday March 20th!

February Cooks

You were wonderful!

Andrea Pastel
Missy Hamilton
Edinete Velloso
Kate Johnson
Diane Kleveno
Ruby Penrose
Kelly Dunne
ennifer Alford
inda Ferguson
elen Litster
Emi Kose
hannon Clasen
Shannon Stilling
Mary Leonard
Christy Langfeldt

Lisbeth Stai
Daphne Chia
Gloria D. Guerra
Sharon Hoioos
Mary Beth Day
Jennifer Michael
Helen Henry
Tammi Heulse
Angela McCrary
Jan Dunlap
Michaela Buhl
Yoly Cuccio
Judy Huddleston
Jill Altman
Angela Gulbrandsen

P.S. The last day for all food reimbursement will be April 17th.

Thank You!

A special thanks to Kate Johnson and Shannon Clasen who cooked wonderfully for February but could not come to the luncheon.

We would also like to thank our kind hostesses and sponsors for their donation of prizes for the February luncheon. Congratulations to all the lucky winners!

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear Members,

As military spouses we are known for our flexibility, perseverance, and sense of humor. At the February luncheon, we learned that our international sisters possess these same qualities. A huge MUCHAS GRACIAS goes out to Marcela (Argentina), Tanny (Venezuela), and Marcela (Republic of Chile). In spite of the audiovisual delays and difficulties, they smiled and gave informative, delightful presentations. The cooks did an awesome job with the recipes – thank you!

I want to thank the ladies who have volunteered to serve on next year's board. As I write this message, there are 4 positions we still need to fill: Vice President, Treasurer, Newsletter, and Food Committee Chairman. If you are lucky enough to 'stay put' this next year, please share such luck with us by joining the IOWC Board. We have had a fantastic year this year and much of that success is due to our super board members.

March brings St. Patrick's Day, Easter, and the Islamic New Year. Thus, it is fortuitous that we travel to the Middle East for our next luncheon with the ladies from Bahrain, Jordan, and Saudi Arabia, who will graciously share their culture and cuisine. It will be held on Wednesday, March 20th. See you at the luncheon!

Judy Huddleston, President

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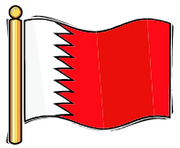
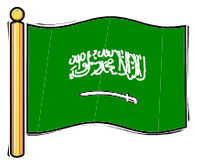
Our March 2002 Hostesses

Rana Al-Khalifa is from Bahrain and is here with her husband Talal and their five year old son, Hamad. She is also expecting another baby on the way. Rana graduated from the American University in Washington D.C with a Bachelor's degree in International Studies, and a Masters degree in International Peace and conflict resolution. She finds it nice to be able to spend a year back here in USA. In Bahrain, Rana worked at the University of Bahrain at the Centre for International studies. She considers her stay here a good break from work.



Maryam Mohammed Almohmood is also from Bahrain and is here with her husband, Salah, and five children, Mohammed (9), Sara (8), Faisal (6), Yusuf (4.5) and Muath (2). Maryam enjoys traveling and cooking, and in her leisure time, she enjoys drawing, decorating and sewing. In Bahrain, Maryam owns a kindergarten. She misses her family and friends, but she enjoys her newly formed friendships here and the hospitality of Americans.

Fatima Al-huneiti is Jordanian and is here with her husband Abdallah, and three children, Bayan (11), Mo'ath (10) and Suhib (9). She enjoys reading literature, magazines and takes great joy in caring for her children. In Jordan, Fatima is a homemaker as she prefers to spend her time taking care and raising her children. Fatima misses her parents, relatives and her neighbors back home. In America, she likes the friendliness of the people, nature, and the opportunity to make friends from different countries and backgrounds.



Noura Al-Saud is from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. She is here with her husband, Turki, and three daughters, Luluwa (6), Muneerah (3) and Nouf (11 months old). Noura studied accounting at the University in Riyadh, and continues to have a strong interest in advanced learning. She appreciates that information and higher education are so easily accessible here in the United States. She misses her family and friends at home dearly.

IOWC LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

Bahrain, Jordan and Saudi Arabia

Wednesday, Mar. 20 * 10 a.m. – 12.30pm * The Clubs at Quantico

Name:_____ Phone:_____

Guest's Name:_____ Email:_____

PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED ($10 per person) – By Sat, Mar. 16
Cancellations with refund are accepted until Sat, Mar. 16. Please make cheques payable to IOWC and mail to: IOWC * P.O. Box 276 * Quantico, VA 22134. Contact Emma White at haydnemma@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

Happy Birthday!

Ann Ayman
Denise Beckwith
Daphne Chia
Milagros Finch
Gloria Guerra
Sally Hamner
Penny McGrath
Nahla Mohamed
Joanne Niebel
Amy Walls

Don't forget to remember our final luncheon!

Date: April 17, 2002
Time: 10am-12:30pm
Place: The Clubs at Quantico

Cooks are still needed for the March luncheon, please call **Karen Power** for more information.

Calling all International Wives!

If you would like to leave some thoughts in the final issue of the IOWC Newsletter, please e-mail them to **Daphne Chia** by April 15th. Your submission should include your name and country, and should not exceed 25 words.

IOWC LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

Brazil, Italy and Mexico

Wednesday, Apr.17 * 10 a.m. – 12.30pm * The Clubs at Quantico

Name:_____ Phone:_____

Guest's Name:_____ Email:_____

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